Goals of the

Career Resource Network

- Provide a central source of career resources
- ✓ Promote communication:
 - between agencies
 - among professionals
 - with students and other customers
- Use national, regional and state resources to identify quality:
 - assessments
 - labor market information
 - resources for professionals
 - training opportunities

Who is served by the **Career Resource Network?**

- Teachers, Counselors, and School
 Administrators at all levels of education
- Parents and Students
- Community and Private Agencies which provide career counseling
- ✓ Program Administrators and Planners
- Other State Government Entities

Rhode Island's Career Resource Network

is a part of
America's Career Resource Network (ACRN),
a program of the U.S. Department of Education
to support career guidance and
academic counseling programs.

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Career Resources

Computer Products



Choices CT -a powerful program for students or job seekers; provides assessment tools, career planning tools, information on more than 650 O*NET occupations and 7,000 post-secondary schools, help in

college applications, financial aid, job openings, portfolio management, resume writing, and other topics. The program can be customized to fit the curriculum of each school. An Internet version is also available, as is Career Clips, a series of videos of workers in various occupations.

CX Online - an Internet-based program in magazine style; provides databases of information on occupations and post-secondary education, plus links to online college applications, financial aid information, a portfolio, and other features.

Career Futures - for middle school and junior high school students. It guides students through self-awareness activities helping them explore careers and make informed high school plans. It can be customized to fit the program of each school.

Paws in Jobland - for elementary school students to develop awareness of careers. Students consider their interests and different kinds of work environment.

CRN supports Choices and CX Online computer programs and other products of Bridges.com, the publisher. We provide services which include help in preparing purchase orders (sometimes with special prices available only through the CRN), training, a system through which schools can share locally developed activities and lesson plans, and basic technical support.

Print & Electronic Publications

The Rhode Island Career Anchor - A magazine style



publication for students and others who are planning their careers. Includes suggestions on career planning, information on familiar and growing occupations in Rhode Island, and job seeking skills.

CRN News Corner - A quarterly newsletter for presenting career development information and features of interest to counselors and other career planning professionals.

Rhode Island Handbook of Licensed

Occupations - This is not currently available in hard copy format. It is available on-line from several web sites including www.acinet.org/acinet (click on "Licensed Occupations"), and www.dlt.state.ri.us/lmi (click on "LMI for Job Seekers").

*The Real Game - A series of simulations of real life situations for elementary school through adult to help develop an understanding of career and educational planning and their relationship to the economy.

*Portfolios - The Get-a-Life Portfolio for secondary school students and the Life Work Portfolio for adults provide a tool for organizing personal information to assist in decision making, college applications, resume preparation, and interview preparation.

*Career Videos - A series of several hundred short videos of workers engaged in various occupations. Call the CRN for information on Internet or CD-ROM access.

*National products distributed and supported by Career Resource Network.

Training & Technical Support

Facilitating Career Development - A 120-hour

program for professionals and paraprofessionals who assist students/clients with career or education planning. Meets the training requirement for certification as Global Career Development Facilitator (G.C.D.F.)



Improved Career Decision Making (ICDM) -

A short workshop to help counselors use occupational and labor market information effectively with their students/ clients. This program uses a nationally developed curriculum.

Career Clusters - Information on the 16 industry-based clusters developed by the U.S. Department of Education and the crosswalks of occupations, training programs and industry codes is available from the CRN.

Introduction to CRN - A short presentation on career resources and how to access them.

Other Training and Support - The CRN will, upon request, develop customized programs related to career planning.



on the Web

www.dlt.state.ri.us/crn

The CRN web site provides information on career resources, training, occupations and links to other career resource sites.